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CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MILOPS, EWWT, TH

SUBJ: SHOOTING INCIDENT IN GULF OF THAILAND

REF: STATE 161580

1. DAO CONTACTED ROYAL THAI NAVY IN CONNECTION WITH ONWARD MOVEMENT OF GATEWAY CITY. THAI NAVY WAS UNABLE PROVIDE SATTAHIP-TO-SINGAPORE SURVEILLANCE AS REQUESTED BY SEALAND. THAI BELIEVE THEIR NORMAL PROCEDURES ADEQUATE. THESE INCLUDE MAINTAINING NAVAL PATROL AIRCRAFT ON 24-HOUR STANDBY AND FULL TIME MONITORING OF INTERNATIONAL DISTRESS FREQUENCY. THAI NAVY ASKED TO BE ADVISED OF TIME OF DEPARTURE, COURSE AND SPEED OF SHIP AND SAID THEY WOULD INTEREST THEMSELVES IN IT.

2. ON SIMMONS' AUTHORIZATION VESSEL SAILED AT 1130 LOCAL TODAY, JULY 10.

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3. BEGIN FYI: WE INCLINED TO BELIEVE SHOOTING WAS HOT-
TEMPERED REACTION OF FISHERMEN WHO RESENT FREIGHTERS
SAILING THROUGH THEIR MIDST. BULLET MARKS ON GATEWAY
CITY SUPER-STRUCTURE INDICATE FISHING BOATS WERE VERY
CLOSE TO GATEWAY CITY AT TIME OF FIRING. END FYI.
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